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Town of Carver, Board of Health

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Board of Health meeting minutes for April 25, 2019, Carver Town Hall, Meeting Room 3

Attendees: Arthur Borden, Chairman; Eric Mueller, Member

Also Present: Kevin Forgue, Health Agent

Meeting called to order, by Mr. Borden, at 5:00 PM

Continued Public Hearings:

- 4 Crystal Lake Drive – Upgrade and variance request; review revised plan –

Mr. Forgue – These are revised plans and have meet all set backs. There are a couple of variances but there is no conflict with the neighboring well.

Mr. Borden read the letter from Webby Engineering Associates, Inc.

Reductions:

1. To allow the installation of a soils absorption system 50 feet from the well on the property, instead of 100 feet.
2. To allow the installation of the soils absorption system 82 feet from the well on the northerly abutting property, instead of 100 feet.
3. To allow the installation of a soils absorption system 53 feet from the well on the southerly abutting property, instead of 100 feet.
4. To allow the installation of a soils absorption system 10 feet form the cellar wall, instead of 20 feet.

Motion to approve septic repair plan for 4 Crystal Lake Drive: Mr. Borden

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Discussion:

- 66 Main Street – Possible restaurant expansion and septic system upgrade

Mr. Forgue – At our last meeting, we discussed water usage and possible expansion. Jaimie Emerson – After our meeting, I hired Peter Gordon, Plymouth Operations Mgr. He took pictures for exactly 7 days. For the whole building it's 805 gals per day. One of the units that I am under contract to buy is the Sew It All unit. She is currently still in the unit and using water. I also had our septic guy check everything out. One of the pits was bone dry; the other had some water. He recommended that we should put a filter on the outlet of the septic tank. He was not sure if they put one on the trap. The outlet end of it is not exposed. From everything he sees, it looks good. He will come back in a week to recheck. My main issue is that it does work and the other owners are a little abrasive. If this flow isn't good enough, I will probably just pull back. The hairdresser unit probably used about 400 gals per day. We are hoping that we could get 12 seats with spacing out a little. Mr. Forgue – I had a conversation with Larry and he had photos of the other pit. One had a couple feet of water; the other had none. I suggested to him that he run the camera down there; the pipe could be broken from the box to the pit. Mr. Emerson – He said he would check that. Mr. Forgue – If you run water into the system, you should see water coming out into the pit. Mr. Emerson – According to the Title V, we could be up a few hundred gals/day. The dance studio has very little usage. Mr. Forgue – Our biggest concern was if your use was exceeding what it was originally intended, for the building. Mr. Borden – What is the DEP allowing? Mr. Emerson – I haven't check that yet. Mr. Borden – Your well guy should contact them and find out what the permitted daily flow allotment is. Mr. Forgue – My understanding is that it is an artesian well. Mr. Borden – What is the calculated capacity for that leaching area? Mr. Mueller – If you expand and there is an issue down the line, it could get very costly. If they stay as busy as they have been, you don't want issues six months down the road. Even if everything works out, I would continue to have Larry pop in and check, often. Mr. Emerson – I am concerned and not sure how I will proceed. If the well is approved for 1500 gals/day, now I have put everyone in the building in a position. I think I am going to pull

back; I would like to see the restaurant get the additional seats but I won't push it. If it comes in under, what next? Mr. Borden – You have to go by what it is permitted for. I don't think it is a major investment to have the water guy come up with those numbers and the proposed design. Do we have 3 pits or 2? Mr. Forgue – Larry says it appears to be 2. Mr. Emerson – My engineer (I am a home builder), fully understands the process. When I bought this unit it was because it was already a restaurant twice. I don't know what to do from here. Mr. Borden – We don't have control over that well, that is the DEP. Let's see what he comes back with and then work with your engineer. With a 100' protective radius, it might only be permitted for a 1000 gals. Per day. What you have now wouldn't be approved for new construction. We don't have any control over a DEP well. Mr. Forgue – I think what you are asking is if nothing is done, in regards to expansion, would the Board pursue it? I think where it is the same use, it isn't something we are going to pursue. Mr. Emerson – I will think about all of this. You've given me good and bad information. Mr. Mueller – The DEP website gives you lots of information on usage and flow. Mr. Borden – We have had several come in with proposed use changes over the last few years. Mr. Emerson – In this situation, I don't think we could increase that. Mr. Borden – Yes it would be tough at this point. Mr. Emerson – I will get back to you. Mr. Forgue – Have Larry keep in communication with me. This will give us a record and we will keep it up to date.

- 74 Pond Street; Violations and failed septic system

Mr. Forgue – Before Eric left, there was an issue with sewerage being pumped onto property. It was just recently pumped. Larry Page did the pumping. I was curious if it was just liquid. He confirmed that it was mostly liquid. There is obviously a problem with the system. When there is a lot of laundry, there is back up into the lower bathroom. This needs to be corrected. We had a request for the owner to come in. Fran Ellis, Property Manager – The property was fine when there were only two occupants. His father passed and someone wanted to rent upstairs; there have been issues since. We told the tenants that they could no longer do laundry. The tenants are not agreeable to leaving. The tenant put a pump there, not the homeowner. The tenant wanted to buy a motorcycle from me and I refused as he owed back rent which is when tenant went crazy. Mr. Mueller – Larry have any input? Mr. Forgue – No. Mr. Mueller – How many living there now? Mr. Ellis – there is supposed to be 4 adults but there is more. Mr. Mueller – I have been there and have seen 6. Mr. Ellis – A new septic system can happen in the future. The tenant has threatened me on several occasions, including destruction of property. Mr. Mueller – If we can get a date of the last pump from Larry and then monitor. If it overflows, we will have to shut it down. Mr. Ellis – I will have a septic plan engineered and ready. Mr. Mueller – That could take 3-6 weeks. Can we be assured that it will be maintained? Mr. Ellis – It has been pumped 2-3 times per year. Where it backs up is a tub drain. Mr. Mueller – If there is 6 people in that unit, they will fill that tank in 7-10 days. Is the tenant calling you? We can't have a sump pump in there. Mr. Forgue – If it is pumped 4 times in a year, it is an automatic fail. Mr.

Borden – This needs to be monitored weekly. Mr. Mueller – I'd like to have the pumper come in to confirm with the Board that there will be weekly monitoring. Mr. Forgue – Is the outlet cover accessible? Mr. Ellis – Yes. Mr. Forgue – Why don't I check on it? Mr. Mueller – Yes, if it's over the outlet invert, then it needs to be pumped. Mr. Forgue – If I see the level above outlet, then how many days do they have to get it pumped? Mr. Ellis – If there was less occupants, would there be less concern? Is there reserve leaching area? Mr. Forgue – You would have to do a new system to meet Title V. If I do a weekly inspection and see a problem, what does the Board want? Mr. Mueller – I would say 24 hours as it is coming into the house. We need a pumper name from you. Mr. Ellis – I would probably say Larry. Mr. Mueller – Get in touch with him so we can just call him? Mr. Ellis – He is here; I will have him come in. Mr. Page joined the meeting. Mr. Page – If I get a call from Kevin, I will go out and do it asap, within 24 hours. Mr. Forgue – We had a discussion today re: 179 Plymouth Street. I spoke with the Building Inspector. He had a discussion re: plumbing and electrical work being done. This work was supposed to be done before being reoccupied. The septic has been approved. When I was there a couple weeks ago, I noticed the tank was overflowing. I didn't have a plan. Fran brought a plan and it is now taken care of. Mr. Ellis – Can you inspect? Mr. Forgue – I will do that tomorrow.

- Sale of Howland Disposal to Waste Management

Mr. Forgue - They will be responsible to pay the going rate and not the preferred rate. They were picking trash up without a license; they have been contacted. They need to sign an agreement and pay the per truck fee of \$150.00. This will be done by early next week.

Other Business:

Minutes – April 9, 2019

Motion to approve the minutes of April 9, 2019, as written: Mr. Mueller

Second: Mr. Borden

Approved: Unanimous (2-0)

Correspondence:

Next meeting date:

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, May 14, 2019 at 5:00 P.M.□

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Adjournment –

Motion to adjourn at 5:56 PM: Mr. Mueller

Second: Mr. Borden

Approved: ☐ Unanimous (2-0)